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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO ERRONEOUS NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Dear Sirs:

In response to the indication of abandonment mailed February 9, 2006, the notice is clearly improper. The time to respond to the appeal brief was not up until March 18, 2006 as Applicant has two months from the date of the Board's decision to file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) to re-open prosecution, which is currently being filed herewith. M.P.E.P. § 706.07(h)XI. Thus, the holding of abandonment on February 9, 2006 is incorrect and should be withdrawn.

Respectfully/submitted,

Date: March 10, 2006

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